



**AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 29, 2003, applicant wishes to amend the application as follows. A version of the specification and pending claims are presented having necessary markings to show the changes made and the current status of all pending claims in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 8 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.